

NRD WATER QUALITY PROGRAM AGRICULTURAL WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT AREA BIENNIAL REVIEW SUMMARY



Management Area: Coos-Coquille

Meeting Date: June 27, 2012

LAC Members Present: Joan Mahaffy, Dan Pierce, Sharon Waterman, JoAnn Mast, Tom Johnson, Bonnie Joyce, Jolly Hibbits, and Tom Forgatsch

Implementation Summary (2010-2011)

Outreach and Education:

Coos SWCD

- ODA TA/LMA funding
- Water Quality Workshops: 2 with 55 attendees
- Water Quality Presentations: 4 with 76 attendees
- Events with Displays: 9 with 635 visitors
- Classroom Events: 5 with 194 students
- Fact Sheets Developed: 2 with 1,024 distributed
- Newsletter Distributed: 1,800

Planning and Projects:

Coos SWCD

- Utilizing ODA TA/LMA funding
- Landowners contacted: 111
- Landowners provided with technical assistance: 80
- Site Visits: 40
- Sites Monitored for Water Quality: 6
- Water Quality Projects Implemented: 4

NRCS

- Conservation Plans written: 2,375 acres
- Land with conservation applied to improve water quality: 3,045 acres
- Land with conservation applied to improve irrigation efficiency: 536 acres
- Wetlands created, restored, or enhanced: 141 acres

Coquille Watershed Association

- 16 acres of riparian buffer planted
- 9 miles of riparian/livestock exclusion fencing installed
- · Coos Watershed Association
- 11 acres of new riparian site preparation and planting at 3 sites
- 108 acres of riparian maintenance at 20 locations

CREP (FSA program)

- Fence: 4,800 ft
- Riparian forest buffer: 4.1 acres

Progress Measurement: The Coos SWCD is focusing efforts in the North Fork Coquille and Daniel's Creek watersheds.

Summary of Impediments:

- Landowners are resistant to SWCD assistance because they are opposed to any form of government help
- Not all agencies are coordinating well together
- Independent efforts by private agricultural landowners are not recorded well
- The Coos-Coquille Area is subject to geologic and climatic issues that complicate restoration activities due to erosion and excessive flooding resulting from intense winter rain events

Recommendations for Modifications:

 The LAC recommended that the ODA Director organize a meeting at ODA headquarters in Salem with all of the LAC Chairmen (38) throughout Oregon to discuss the Biennial Review Process and relevant issues pertaining to Oregon's Agricultural Water Quality Program

Enforcement: Letter of Compliance -0 Water Quality Advisory -0 Letter of Warning -0 Notice of Noncompliance -0 Civil Penalty -0 Alternative Measures -0

Total Complaints: 0

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